

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 425 - HB 536**

March 16, 2009

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to develop and maintain a Web page permitting viewers to submit questions regarding child care policies. DHS is required to respond in writing with both formal and advisory options.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$128,600/FY09-10  
\$121,100/FY10-11 and Subsequent Years**

**Assumptions:**

- The Department estimates 100 hours of analysis, design, coding, and testing to complete the required Web page will result in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$6,600 (100 hours x \$66 per hour). It is estimated that annual maintenance will be \$1,300.
- DHS currently regulates approximately 3,500 child care agencies. It is estimated that at least 10 percent, or 350, agencies would submit questions to the Web page.
- DHS will need an attorney to research and write the opinions and an administrative assistant to gather information and work with the child care agencies. These positions will result in an increase in one-time expenditures of \$2,200 for computers and recurring expenditures of \$119,810 which includes salaries (\$86,500), benefits (\$29,410), communications and networking (\$3,400), and supplies (\$500).

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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